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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is a preliminary amendment for filing with a Request for Continuing Examination (RCE) and responsive to the Final Office Action dated June 28, 2005, having a shortened statutory period expiring September 28, 2005. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.